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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed October 16, 2001, there is enclosed herewith:

- Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventors (6 pgs);
- Assignment executed by the inventors (6 pgs) w/cover sheet;
- Preliminary Amendment (2 pgs);
- Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (1 pg);

Please address all correspondence in connection with this application to:

Ann Marie Mewherter Conley, Rose & Tayon, P.C. P. O. Box 398 Austin, Texas 78767-0398 Ph: (512) 476-1400

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the following required fees, or credit any overpayment, to Conley, Rose & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5589-02305: filing fee (\$740.00); additional claims fee (\$1,296.00); additional independent claims fee (\$252.00); and missing parts fee (\$130.00).

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 within which to respond to the Notice of File Missing Parts mailed October 16, 2001, such extension allowing the undersigned until March 16, 2001 to respond.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the required fee (\$920.00), or credit any overpayment, to Conley, Rose & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5589-02305.

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitloment to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$132776.
 - \$119016 for 6612 total claims over 20.
 - \$13760 for 172 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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